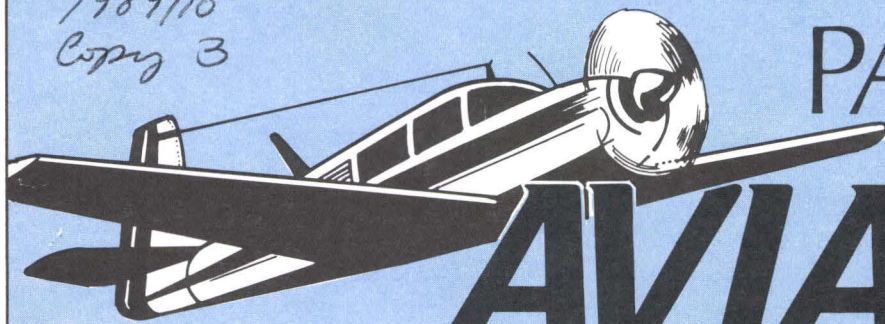


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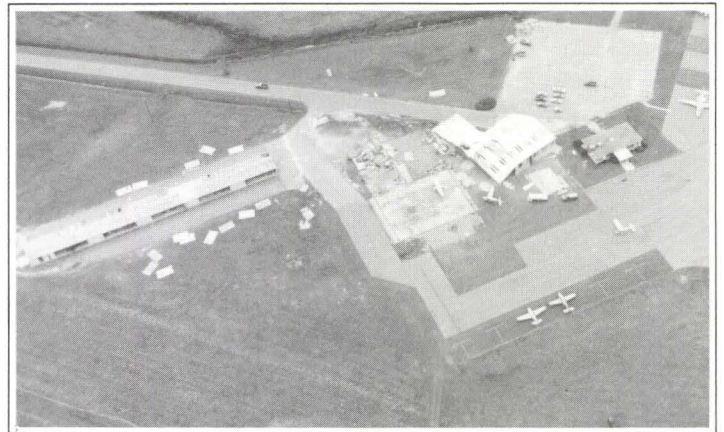
Economic disaster relief may be available

Chances are you know first hand about the destruction hurricane Hugo caused during his sweep of South Carolina. Thousands of people lost electricity, trees, homes and all of their belongings.

Some people fortunate enough to weather the storm went to their local airports to find buildings, hangars and airplanes destroyed or damaged.

Such was the case when the Aeronautics Commission staff toured some of the damaged airports in the state recently.

The Sumter Municipal Airport terminal building was shoved out of place by hurricane Hugo's wrath.



One of the hardest hit airports was Moncks Corner which had about 15 aircraft damaged or com-

pletely destroyed by the storm.

"I put most of the planes in the hangar, but I couldn't fit the Cessna 150 so I left it outside," said Skip Mayberry, FBO at the Berkeley County Airport. "That's the only plane that didn't have any damage to it at all."

Other planes tied-down were crushed, mangled or turned upside-down. Also, Mayberry's three year old hangar was severely damaged.

"What do I have left? Well, the concrete slab's still here," joked Mayberry, who said that six planes were stored in the building and of those, four were destroyed.

Hugo damaged everything in its path across South Carolina in-

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Looking for Answers-- SC Airports Conference Has Them

Are you wondering what new regulations the FAA has imposed on airports? Or, maybe you want to know if there's any money available for an NDB for your airport? The 1989 S.C. Airports Conference is the place to find the answers!

The '89 Airports Conference is slated for November

14-17 at the Radisson Resort at Kingston Plantation in Myrtle Beach. The all-suite hotel offers fully-equipped kitchens so that you and your family will have plenty of room in-between conference sessions to relax and unwind.

Look for a full schedule in this issue of Palmetto Aviation.

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Gastonia Municipal Airport has new Unicom

Have you tried to fly into the Gastonia, N.C. Municipal Airport recently? If you have then you know that they now have a new Unicom frequency of 123.0.

The Gastonia Airport Authority announced the change so that all aircraft flying into the airport would be aware of the new frequency.

SCAC Grants Capital Improvements for Seven Airports

Darlington County Airport, Spartanburg Downtown Airport, Pelion Corporate Airport, Orangeburg Municipal Airport, Bamberg County Airport, Florence Regional Airport and Grand Strand Airport all received funding for projects at the State Aeronautics Commission meeting in Greenville.

The State Aeronautics Commission held their regular monthly meeting at Greenville Tech's hangar at Donaldson Center in Greenville where commissioners approved \$242,494.50 for airport projects.

When completed, these projects will generate over \$2.6 million in total funding costs when combined with federal grants.

Commission Chairman Jim Hamilton announced the following state allocations:

•**Darlington County Airport** — \$14,274 approved for airport lighting systems, installation of medium intensity runway lights, beacon and beacon tower, also for runway end identifier lights, visual approach descent indicator (VADI), radio control and lighting vault. Federal Aviation Administration matching grants total \$156,145.

•**Spartanburg Downtown** —

\$27,041 approved to install medium intensity taxiway lighting and rehabilitate existing aircraft parking apron. FAA matching grants total \$343,967.

•**Pelion Corporate Airport** — \$4,500 approved to seal and rout cracks in runway and taxiways.

•**Orangeburg Municipal** — \$34,500 approved for sealing cracked airfield pavement.

•**Bamberg County Airport** — \$27,500 approved for airport master plan to gauge business and industry development in the area.

•**Florence Regional Airport** — \$71,429.50 approved for an overlay and marking of runway 18/36, for installation of airfield radio control lighting system, for overlay and lighting of taxiway D and for reconstructing and lighting of taxiway E. The FAA matching grants available total \$1,285,727.

•**Grand Strand Airport** — \$63,250 approved for apron rehabilitation. The FAA has approved \$361,842 in matching grants.

The Aeronautics Commission at the Greenville meeting also toured Greenville Tech's facilities for training aircraft maintenance personnel, as well as Lockheed's operation and hangar facilities at Donaldson Center.

South Carolina Aeronautics Commission Offices are at Columbia Metropolitan Airport. Mailing Address: Post Office Drawer 280068, Columbia, South Carolina, 29228. Phone: (803) 739-5400.

John F. "Jack" Barry rites held, former Deputy Director of SC Aeronautics

John Frazier "Jack" Barry, 67, of Columbia died September 5, 1989.

Barry had a long and extensive career in aviation and received many outstanding awards for his contributions.

Although he began a teaching after completing a masters degree his love of aviation soon developed into a 47-year aviation career.

Born in Spartanburg County, he was the son of the late John Maguire and Nina Frazier Barry. He received a bachelor's degree from Wofford College and a master's degree from the University of South Carolina. He was a former band director at Union and Eau Clair High Schools.

His aviation career was studied with achievements. He was executive secretary of the South Carolina Agricultural Pilots Association and a retired deputy director of the state Aeronautics Com-

mission. Barry was also a retired colonel of the South Carolina National Guard.

Barry received national awards from the Civil Air Patrol for the Advancement of Youth Aerospace Activities, the Federal Aviation Administration Flight Safety Award for Outstanding Support of Flight Safety Program activities and the AOPA Meritorius Award.

In addition, Barry was a member of St. Mark United Methodist Church of Columbia, the Columbia Community Band, the Quiet Birdsmen, the Aero and BS Society, and a former member of the 246th Army National Guard Band.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Ann Murph Barry; daughters, Mrs. Randy (Frazier) Swindler and Mrs. Thom (Beth) Orton, both of Columbia; and brothers, Daniel S. and Charles B. Barry both of Spartanburg.

Columbia Metro Airport Closes Runway 5/23

The Columbia Metropolitan Airport runway extension is progressing on schedule, according to Lynne Douglas of the airport.

The airport has closed Runway 5/23, in order to proceed with the runway extension project.

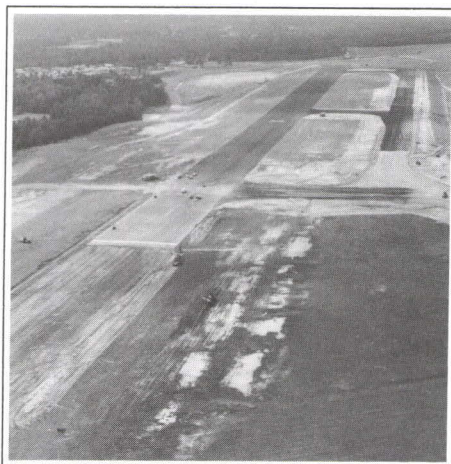
The runway will be closed about 180 days, and will not reopen until March, 1990.

According to Douglas, the closure is part of the final phases to prepare the runway for air carrier operations including extending it to 7000 ft. During this period, strengthening and widening of the adjoining taxiways, as well as paving the runway, will be completed.

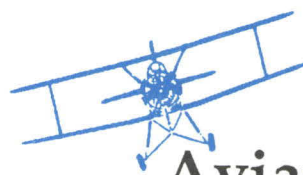
Runway 5/23 has been primarily used for general aviation traffic since its length of 5000 ft. did not meet basic air transport length

standards.

The extension project will eliminate delays by allowing jet aircraft to arrive and depart when the main runway is closed due to repair, excessive crosswinds, or a disabled aircraft.



Runway 5/23 under construction.



Aviation Calendar

October 20, 21 & 22

EAA Fly-In

Breakfast Club Sunday
Woodward Field
Camden, SC

October 20-22

AOPA Flight Instructor
Refresher Course
Columbia

October 29

Breakfast Club
Election of Officers
Orangeburg Airport

November 5

Breakfast Club
Jefferson County GA
Flyers Club
50 mi. South of Augusta

November 12

Breakfast Club
East Cooper Airport

November 14-18

SC Airport Conference
Kingston Plantation
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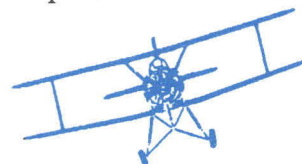
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November 26

Breakfast Club
Hartsville Municipal

December 10

Breakfast Club
Clarendon County
Airport



Pee Dee Conference Focuses on Transportation

Good transportation is critical to the well-being of South Carolina, not only highways, but also railroads, airports and seaports.

One conference held at the Chesterfield-Marlboro Technical College zeroed in on the economic impact of transportation in the Pee Dee region.

About 300 people listened intently as prominent guest speakers took the podium to assess transportation's impact on the economy in South Carolina.

Wayne Sterling, executive director of the state Development Board, spoke on the importance of an airline hub and the economic impact of such a facility.

Another speaker, Garland P. "Cas" Castleberry, the FAA's Southern Regional Administrator, addressed the issue of aviation's contribution to the Pee Dee region.

"That's our commitment to you, to work together, to reason together, although we won't always agree, but we'll have that reasoning process to make a good decision and we'll always be open to your ideas," Castleberry said.

"Multi-modal problems are the most comprehensive problems of the American public," added Castleberry.

"There's an outpouring of need from people who want to be heard about all forms of transportation, the railways, every community wants an airport, waterways and good roads. They all want them and there's great competition for them. We need to put them into one package and see what we need to do as a nation."

"Aviation is a great growth industry, we've come a long way from Kitty Hawk," said Castleberry, who added that there is still a long way to go in aviation.

"Last year commercial avia-

Gov. Carroll Campbell (l) talks about transportation to SCAC Commissioner Charles Appleby and "Cas" Castleberry, the FAA Southern Regional Director.



tion industry served over 450 million people. Every day there about 500 thousand people in general aviation who fly."

"Worldwide in 1988 there were over 1 billion people served by international aviation. In the year 2000 there will be over 2 billion people served by aviation," added Castleberry.

"Aviation is really the world system of bringing people closer together," he said. "The economic development through the interdependence of countries is vital to all of our futures."

In addition, Governor Carroll Campbell spoke on how important transportation was to everyone economically.

"Transportation is a key and vital link to anywhere, and if we talk about improving the quality of life then you have to look at the transportation component of that," said Gov. Campbell.

"In South Carolina we are both blessed and cursed, in that we probably have more roads per capita than any one in the world, and that may be a blessing. But it may be a curse because half of those roads we probably shouldn't have. Because we can't keep them up," he said.

Transportation, Campbell

said, "Is a complicated issue because of costs, regulations and turf disputes."

Campbell said that South Carolinians should "link transportation to the existing infra-structure and then plan for the future. This would allow us to work and plan smart."

Campbell also had some formidable words for aviation in the state, "our weakest transportation link is airline service. We need better airline service in our state for better economic development...We have that need for an airline hub in South Carolina."

Campbell stressed the importance of the location of a hub saying that a regional approach would be best but also the most politically sensitive. "We should buy land somewhere half-way between Columbia, Charleston, Greenville and Florence and then build an airport."

During his luncheon address, the governor also touched on railroads which he said was "an emotional issue," and seaports.

The governor added that the seaports are South Carolina's link to world trade and add to our international rank in the marketplace.

The Department of Highways and Public Transportation and the railways were also represented.

Damage from Hugo Still Being Assessed

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discriminate of value or size.

In Charleston, Hathorne Aviation suffered as well. Tom Zollars, manager said, "four main hangars and one small hangar were damaged. Of the main hangars, one was completely destroyed. There were three airplanes and some cars in that hangar. Two of the those airplanes, both singles, are probably totaled and a King Air had only minor damage. One car was destroyed, one severely damaged and two with minor damage. In our front hangars attached to our terminal building offices, the front half the of the hangar caved-in pushing vehicles and aircraft into the back.."

Although Zollars had no idea on specific damage costs, he roughly estimates the losses to be "close to \$500,000 to \$700,000."

Zollars also said East Cooper Airport located in Mount Pleasant was damaged. They had ten T-hangars, one complete unit with ten bays in it, was completely destroyed, and about six airplanes in it and a couple of cars. The six airplanes were severely damaged or totally destroyed."

"The main office area had facade damage," Zollars said, "but no structural damage. The airport is open but has no lights or electricity." East Cooper is operating during daylight only until lights are restored, according to Zollars.

Some airports even in the hurricane's path were some how spared, one was Orangeburg Municipal.

"We have to thank our lucky stars," beamed a thankful Pat Rhudy, FBO at Orangeburg Municipal the only thing we had damaged was our hangar doors. I hate everybody's misfortune, but we



Skip Mayberry of Berkeley Aviation in Moncks Corner stands in front of his demolished hangar.

had good fortune this time. We had three hangar doors shaken off their tracks."

Some airports lost a great deal, "They lost everything at St. George Airport," according to Rhudy who received word from visitors. "The FBO is gone, he lost his hangars, even the mobile home he was living in. They were totally wiped out. Just the runway is left. "



Scenes like this, of a mangled airplane, in Moncks Corner show the devastation of Hugo.

The S.C. Aeronautics Commission is doing its utmost to assist airports who are in need. There is financial help from various sources for those airports which have incurred damage to their buildings, airport, FBO's and/or navigation aids.

Contact Jones Herring, Economic Development Coordinator of SCAC, regarding specific financial assistance and/or referral to the federal agency which can help you best. Call 1-800-922-0574 or (803) 739-5400.

Please photograph the damaged that occurred due to Hugo. It is most important for you to take photos of the damage as this will serve as the documentation necessary for financial assistance from a federal level. However, we would like a list of all damaged aircraft, with their type and N-number.



Hawthorne Aviation in Charleston suffered major damage to hangar facilities and aircraft from Hugo.

'89 Conference is Reaching for New Heights

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The S.C. Airports Conference has many activities scheduled for the four-day conference including a golf tournament, seafood extravaganza and just plain fun.

The \$125 registration fee includes conference seminars, entertainment activities and most meal.

However, if you arrive after lunch Wednesday, the pro-rated registration fee is \$100. Spouses fees are \$70 and includes a shopping tour with lunch on Wednes-

day, the harbor cruise or golf and, of course, the seafood bash.

The Radisson Resort Hotel is offering us a special discounted room rate of \$55, single or double occupancy.

Our block of rooms will be held until October 13, so get your room reservations in now. What you may not know is that all of their rooms are two-room suites with fully-equipped kitchens. So bring your families!

The conference itself is de-

signed to educate airport managers and staff, county aviation commissions, FBO's, and general aviation pilots interested in a forum with state, local and national government personnel.

The South Carolina Aeronautics Commission is honored to have Lawrence Burian, president of the National Air Transportation Association, as the key note speaker on Wednesday, November 15.

We look forward to seeing you November 14-17 in Myrtle Beach!

12th Annual SC Airports Conference

November 14-17, 1989

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Registration Form:

Firm: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

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Full Registration is \$125; (If arriving after Wed. lunch, registration is \$100.)

Spouses' Registration \$70; Seafood Bash only \$30.

Full Name (include spouse, too)

Name for Badge

Special Events:

Please indicate number of people participating in each.

Golf tournament: _____

Harbor cruise: _____

Spouses' Shopping Tour (Wed.): _____

Arrangements for fishing or tennis: _____

(Fees for fishing will apply.)

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No. of Spouse Regis. @\$70 _____

No. of Seafood Bash Only @ \$30 _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Full Registration includes attendance at all meetings, Tuesday reception, Wednesday luncheon and reception, Thursday Seafood bash, breakfast all three days, all socials and breaks.

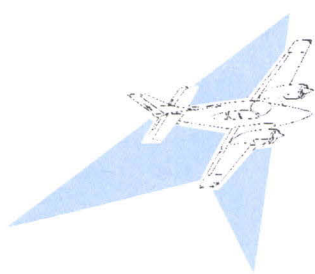
Spouses Registration includes attendance at all of the above, including a shopping tour on Wednesday.

Return this form along with registration fees to:

S.C. Airports Conference, ATTN: Vicki Miller, P.O. Box 280068, Columbia, SC 29228.

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Airports Conference is Reaching for New Heights

Twelfth Annual S.C. Airports Conference
Radisson Resort, Myrtle Beach, SC

The Twelfth Annual South Carolina Airports Conference is designed for anyone interested in the future of South Carolina's most vital economic resource -- airports.

This year's conference, as in years past, reflects the concerns and problems of the many people involved in aeronautics.

The Twelfth Conference provides informational workshops and seminars on various topics such as consultant selection procedures, airport security, and aviation legal issues. As an industry, we are **Reaching For New Heights** toward an effective means of improving our state's aviation network.

1989 Airports Conference Schedule

Tuesday, November 14

2 p.m. - 8 p.m. Exhibits
2 p.m. - 6:30 Early Bird Registration
6:30 - 8 p.m. Horry County Reception

Wednesday, November 15

Registration Desk Open 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

8 - 7:30 p.m. Exhibits
8 a.m. - 9 a.m. Breakfast-sponsored by
Greenville-Spartanburg Jetport
9:15 - 11 a.m. Opening Session & Welcome
Preview of Topics
11:15 General Session:
A South Carolina Hub: A Dream?
Wayne Sterling, State Dev. Board
12:30 Lunch:
Lawrence Burian, President NATA
2:15- 3 p.m. Concurrent Sessions:
1. Airport Managers, FBO's
& Commissioners
2. Insurance Reserve Funds —
What is the Airport's liability?
Responsibility? Availability?
Stuart Hope, Jr, Hope Insurance Co.
3:15 - 3:45 p.m. General Session;
Rep. Marion Carnell
Rural Airport Development Act
3:45 - 5:15 p.m. General Session:
Aviation Legal Issues
George Kosko, esq.
6 p.m. - 7:30 Sponsor's Reception, Exhibits

Thursday, November 16

Exhibits all day

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 Breakfast- sponsored by
Columbia Metropolitan Airport
8:30 - 9:30 General Session:
Consultant Selection Procedures
9:30 - 10:30 General Session:
FAA/State Listening Session —
FAA Update on federal programs
State financial support
10:45 - Noon Concurrent Sessions:
1. Airport Security: Part 107 & 109
2. General Aviation/Military
Traffic: Conflicts and Procedures
Noon - Sporting Events:
Golf Tournament
Harbor cruise & Fishing
7:30 p.m. Seafood Bash Extraordinaire

Friday, November 17

exhibits

7:30 a.m. - 8:30 Breakfast-sponsored by
Charleston Aviation Authority
8:30 - 9 a.m. General Session:
State Pavement Evaluation
Bill Pearson, P.E.
9 a.m. - 10 a.m. General Session:
Underground Storage Tanks
10 a.m. - 10:45 Concurrent Sessions:
1. FBO Quality Control
2. FAA/Consultants Workshop
11 a.m. - Noon General Session:
Noise & Land Use Controls:
Land to Grow On/ Space to Fly In
Noon-12:30 p.m. Closing Remarks
Grand Prize Drawing:
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... and much, much more!

Sellers promoted to Pilot Instructor

Hardy J. Sellers, III, a Hopkins, S.C. resident, has been assigned to Reese Air Force Base in Lubbock, Texas as one of the youngest T-38 fighter plane instructors in the US Air Force.

Sellers was born in Columbia on June 20, 1966. He attended Hammond Academy where he was graduated in 1984. He was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students.

He was Senator Ernest Hollings' primary appointee to the United States Air Force Academy. There he studied Chemistry and was graduated in 1988.

While at the Academy, he was

a soaring instructor and attended Undergraduate Pilot Training.

Sellers was a distinguished graduate from the Air Force Pilot Training Program in September of this year.

He first learned to fly while still in high school. He received ratings on both single and multiple engine planes and worked as a "line boy" at Midlands Aviation at Columbia Owens Downtown.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hardy J. Sellers, Jr.

Sellers is a second-generation aviator, as his father is an experienced pilot and aviator for Midlands Aviation.



Hardy Sellers, a USAF fighter pilot instructor, stands beside a T-38.

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